



North Dakota Teachers' Professional Practices Commission

Department of Public Instruction
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MINUTES -- MARCH 16-17, 1995

Thursday, March 16, 1995

The Education Standards and Practices Board meeting was called to order by vice chairperson Dr. Doug Johnson on Thursday, March 16, 1995, at 8:30 a.m. Members of the Board present were Dr. Mary Harris, Maryjane Martens, Susan Andrews, Louise Dardis, Randy Gordon, Don Haugen, Linda Davis, Dr. Doug Johnson, and secretary Marilyn Ridenhower. Member of the Board absent was Michael Schatz. Visitor present was Helen Busche, NDEA.

A motion was made by Maryjane Martens and seconded by Louise Dardis to accept the minutes from the February, 1995, ESPB meeting. The motion carried.

The following is the financial report as of February 28, 1995.

FINANCE REPORT

<u>Beginning Balance for Biennium</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Biennium Balance</u>
\$17,500.00	\$12,718.00	\$4,782.00

There was a legislative update by the Board on bills pertaining to education and certification. Bills reviewed were HB 1036 relating to citizenship requirements for teacher certification, Engrossed HB 1325 pertaining to creating and enacting new sections to the North Dakota Century Code relating to contracts for the provision of classroom instruction, SCR 4007 has now passed pertaining to professional growth and development for teachers, and SB 2187 relating to fees and expenses. (SB 2187 has now passed since our last meeting.) Other legislative issues were also discussed.

There was additional discussion on the public relations strategy by the Board. According to the Attorney General's Office, no hearing process is necessary for the fee change. However, the Board stated that meetings have to be held, especially for public relations.

The informal meetings will be held in various parts of the state, and will be set up as follows:

April 18, 1995	Bismarck, North Dakota	Dr. Doug Johnson Linda Davis Marilyn Ridenhower
April 24, 1995	Fargo, North Dakota	Susan Andrews Louise Dardis Maryjane Martens Marilyn Ridenhower
April 25, 1995	Grand Forks, North Dakota	Dr. Mary Harris Don Haugen Marilyn Ridenhower
April 26, 1995	Minot, North Dakota	Dr. Doug Johnson Linda Davis Marilyn Ridenhower
April 27, 1995	Williston, North Dakota	Randy Gordon Michael Schatz Marilyn Ridenhower
May 3, 1995	Dickinson, North Dakota	Randy Gordon Michael Schatz Marilyn Ridenhower

A flyer notifying of the meetings across the state will be included with the ESPB brochure mailing.

A small reception being put on by the ESPB Board will be held on Thursday evening, April 20, 1995, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Kelly Inn. Guests will be legislators and people from educational groups who have supported the ESPB in the legislative session.

A discussion was held on the Request for Inquiry protocol.

The Request for Inquiry case involving Janet Bitz vs. John Kambeitz was presented by the Board. It was determined that the problems set forth in the Request for Inquiry were insufficient to warrant any action by the Board.

A motion was made by Louise Dardis to send a letter to the school district and the people involved in this case that it is an internal matter and does not warrant the consideration of certificate revocation by the Board. Susan Andrews seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Request for Inquiry case involving Oak Grove Lutheran High School vs. Janet Erickson was also reviewed by the Board. Secretary Marilyn Ridenhower stated that a Judgment of Conviction Notice for Janet Erickson was received from the States Attorney's Office.

A motion was made by Louise Dardis that we make a recommendation to the State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction to revoke Janet Erickson's North Dakota teaching certificate permanently. Don Haugen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There was a sub-committee discussion on certification, professional development, and program approval. (See enclosed sheet outlining these areas.)

The meeting adjourned for the day at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, March 17, 1995

The Education Standards and Practices Board meeting was called to order by chairperson Dr. Mary Harris on Friday, March 17, 1995, shortly after 8:30 a.m. Members of the Board present were Dr. Mary Harris, Maryjane Martens, Susan Andrews, Louise Dardis, Randy Gordon, Don Haugen, Linda Davis, Dr. Doug Johnson, and secretary Marilyn Ridenhower. Member of the Board absent was Michael Schatz. Visitor present was Helen Busche, NDEA.

There was a personnel discussion by the Board. The hiring process for an assistant director of certification was also discussed.

Linda Davis gave a review of a meeting she attended in Washington, DC, pertaining to the INTASC Licensing and Development by the Council for Chief State School Officers.

The Board broke up into small sub-committee groups to discuss areas of certification, professional development, and program approval.

Afterwards there were reports from the sub-committee groups. Don Haugen gave a report on professional development, and such topics as timelines, networking with agencies, and public relations were discussed.

Dr. Doug Johnson gave a review on program approval. Various topics discussed were reviewing current standards and NCATE standards, the review process, evaluation teams, and team training.

The area pertaining to certification will be discussed at our next meeting.

The next ESPB meeting will be held on Friday, April 21, 1995. Reminder -- A small reception put on by the Board will be held on Thursday evening, April 20, 1995, at the Kelly Inn beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.



ESPB Chairperson



ESPB Secretary